

### **A1: Open - Homa Intro**

MAX HOMA SOT: Looking back on any golfer know where they come from is a big part of the type of player they are.

MAX HOMA SOT: These are like my early proving grounds. Do I have what it takes to eventually get to play this game at a high level, and now I've got a career that's taking me to play with the best golfers on planet Earth.

ANNC: Max Homa another win on California soil.

ANNC: There it is! Oh my goodness. Can you believe that?

MAX HOMA SOT: I'm just a Southern California kid. Golf has taken me some really amazing places, but this just feels like home to me.

ANNC: He's the king of Cali golf.

### **A2: Titles**

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### **A3: Tee it Up Valero**

**LUDVIG ABERG IS MAKING HIS FIRST START SINCE THE PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP WHERE HE SHOT A FINAL ROUND 4-OVER 76. ABERG IS LOOKING TO BOUNCE BACK AND CAPTURE HIS FIRST VICTORY OF THE SEASON.**

**SPEAKING OF WINS ... DEFENDING CHAMPION BRIAN HARMAN IS IN THE FIELD ... HE'S HAD TWO TOP 25S IN 2026. AND LOOKING TO GO BACK-TO-BACK FOR HIS FIFTH CAREER WIN ON THE PGA TOUR.**

**AND MAVERICK MCNEALY IS TEEING IT UP AT TPC SAN ANTONIO. THE CALIFORNIA NATIVE IS IN THE TOP 25 IN STROKES GAINED AND HAD A TOP-FIVE FINISH AT LAST YEAR'S TOURNAMENT.**

### **A4: Segue to Homa Part 1 of Series**

**ALSO IN THE FIELD IS MAX HOMA, WHO RECENTLY REVISITED HIS HOME IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. THE FIRST OF A FOUR PART SERIES TO COME, HOMA REFLECTS ON HIS ROOTS AND JOURNEY.**

### **A5: Homa Series Part 1**

HOMA SOT: Growing up, we played everywhere across Southern California in a very competitive area to grow up in and then to go to college and then obviously go after that

and it gets even harder. We didn't play this golf course till I got to college. We had a U.S. open qualifier at Newport Beach Country Club.

HOMA SOT: Whether it was just a fun round with some guys here, or playing a U.S. open qualifier here where you score matters. You know, every round kind of felt like you had to prove that you were good enough. I don't know if I've ever not felt pressure to succeed, and I think that's what's helped me get closer to my potential and at times reach it. I wanted to keep getting better, and I wanted to prove that I could, even if it just to myself, just make it to the TOUR and win golf tournaments.

HOMA SOT: It's kind of ironic to get to walk back here and realize I did have it. All that stress and anxiety was either one unnecessary or two worth it. I credit a lot of the cool Sundays I've had and the cool putts I made at the team events, to recognizing you can look at pressure and nerves two different ways you get the choice. Nerves can be scary and bad, or nerves can be, wow, this is awesome. That's what I dreamt of. It's important sometimes to step back and look at the progress we've made, instead of just thinking about, you know, I wish I was better right now. It's hard to do that in the moment, especially after a stinker of a year.

HOMA NATS: Oh, boy.

PRODUCER: I'll let you hit play.

ANNC: Max winning the Pac 12 and then the NCAA individual championship and then qualifying for the U.S. Open. I don't think you can be, you know, on a better streak than that.

HOMA SOT: Yeah. I don't know what's come over me. My head's gotten a good place. This just means the world to me. I can't believe I'm playing in the U.S. Open.

HOMA SOT: I remember that day like it was yesterday. Those things don't really leave you. You try to wash out the bad ones, but the good ones sure do stick with you and they seem to help with your progression in golf for sure.

HOMA SOT: Right before that event, I missed a 6 or 7 footer to keep our team's hopes alive to win the national championship, and I was devastated. And then you think, man, am I ready to make a putt for my living? And then that day you think, okay, you know, I do have what it takes on the inside.

HOMA SOT: When I won my first tournament, I just remember I had the same feeling that I had on that. And I said, well, you've done this thing before.

ANNC: This is the most important putt of the afternoon. Well he looks nice and calm.

HOMA SOT: Things like that from when you're young. They definitely do get ingrained and help you as you get older.

ANNC: And three in a row now from that distance for par.

HOMA SOT: You can miss them. And it stinks. But I would still rather be in the arena than not. And again, that video is a perfect encapsulation of that.

ANNC: Max, can you just explain this moment?

HOMA SOT: It's beyond words. A lot of ups and downs. This is about as high as it gets. And I just kind of trying to keep the ride going as long as I can.

HOMA SOT: Because of the incremental progress and the its and bits and progression after a poor year, I'm very excited to play this season.

### **B1: Koepka walk-and-talk Favorite Hole at Memorial Park**

KOEPKA NATS: Three quarter?

CADDIE: Well, I'm thinking, what? Nine? Yeah, nine. It's pretty full. I think it's going to play 65.

KOEPKA NATS: OK.

### **BROOKS KOEPKA SERVED AS A CONSULTANT FOR THE RENOVATION OF MEMORIAL PARK IN 2019, AND HE TAKES US THROUGH HIS FAVORITE HOLE ON THE COURSE.**

KOEPKA SOTS: One thing that drives me nuts is these par 3s are all 250 and they're made for a seven iron. But then again you look at all the iconic part threes the best part threes in the world. And they're all 150 160 yards. The best part threes in the world that you can think of are all in that range or shorter.

KOEPKA SOTS: You make a difficult green with some trouble. You really got to control your flight spin just to make it very difficult with a wedge. I mean, you can make five just as easy as you can make a two there.

KOEPKA SOTS: When the tour comes here, it's how it should be pretty much played. That's great. It's in phenomenal condition. So, it's the best I've seen. And there's a lot of places on tour where, you know, people can go play, but they're pretty much open to the public year round is quite cool, and people can come hit shots that they see on TV, recreate them. It's quite fun and, you know, bring your friends out. Makes it interesting.

### **B2: Houston Winner**

ANNC: Golf's latest improbable comeback story. And is it ever a good one. Belongs to Gary Woodland.

ANNC: Nearly seven years in the making. But just two and a half years removed from brain surgery. And the bouts with PTSD. Where he wanted to walk off the golf course numerous times. Where it left him crying, now in tears for a much different reason.

WOODLAND SOT: We play an individual sport out here, but I wasn't alone today. I got a lot of people behind me, my team, family, and this golf world. Anybody that's struggling with something – I hope they see me and don't give up. Just keep fighting. Today was a good day, but I'm gonna keep fighting. I've got a big fight ahead of me, and I'm gonna keep going, but I'm proud of myself right now.

ANNC VICTORY: I'm not sure there's been a more emotional victory than Gary Woodland's five shot win // at the Texas Children's Houston Open.

### **B3: FEC Standings**

**WITH THE WIN, GARY WOODLAND MAKES A BIG LEAP FROM 119TH TO 25TH IN THE FEDEXCUP STANDINGS, AND JAKE KNAPP MOVES INTO THE TOP 10 AFTER A T6 FINISH.**

### **B4: Winner Walk**

NATS: Ceci, standing right here next to me actually did the artwork on the magic cleats that you wore all week long.

WOODLAND SOT: First, Ceci, thank you. I'm proud to be on your team. Thank you. Texas Children's Hospital, thank you for giving people hope, like Ceci, like me. Thank you for what you guys do.

WIFE SOT: How are you doing, babe?

WOODLAND SOT: I'm good.

NATS: Congrats, Gary.

WOODLAND SOT: Thank you, brother.

WOODLAND SOT: This has been hard on me, but what this has been on my family and my wife. And she's been the rock through this whole thing. I couldn't do this without her. And I wouldn't be here without her.

WOODLAND SOT: I love the golf world. I love this tour. They've helped me get through these dark times. Three years ago, I don't know if this would have been possible. And I just kept

telling myself I wasn't going to let this thing in my head win I was going to keep fighting to live my dreams.

WOODLAND SOT: Hi baby!

NATS: Where's the trophy?

WOODLAND SOT: Yeah. I'll have mommy send you a picture with the trophy. Tell your brother I love him. Thank you guys for your service. Thank you guys. Appreciate you. Appreciate you bro. Thank you.

NATS: The one we send you will be plastic and a lot lighter.

WOODLAND SOT: Perfect. Perfect, thanks.

WOODLAND SOT: Keep going, all right? You're amazing. Thank you guys for everything. All the best. Appreciate you. Awesome.

## **C2- VO lead in**

**THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF THE 2026 SEASON HAVE BEEN FULL OF NOTABLE STORYLINES. JEFF EISENBAND AND MATT EVERY BREAK DOWN SOME OF THE MOST INTRIGUING THUS FAR.**

## **C3- 3-Month Notable Storylines**

EISENBAND SOT: We put together our top storylines so far each this year, but the catch is we haven't seen each other's list. So let's see how similarly we actually think. Jacob Bridgeman is the early 2026 Ben Griffin. Every season we're trying to find that guy who's going to take the jump from good to star player. Bridgeman did that before we even left the West Coast. He's a guy the average fan maybe didn't know about three months ago, and now we expect to see him on the top of leaderboards. When he's in contention at a major this season, it won't be a surprise.

EVERY SOT: Well, that sounded great, Jeff. JT, and I'm not talking about Justin Timberlake. I'm talking about Justin Thomas. Six month layoff from an injury on tour. He's bored to death. Comes back the week of Bay Hill, gets his teeth kicked in. What does he do the next week? Shows up like the star he is, TPC Sawgrass. Ends up finishing tied for eighth. I think there's a lot more in store for him this year. This is a rejuvenated, re-energized Justin Thomas.

EISENBAND SOT: Chris Gotterup is who we thought he was. His summer 2026 run last year which got him into that Ryder Cup conversation wasn't a fluke. He just picked up where he left off and has progressed into a top ten player in the world with his two early wins this

season. He still needs to win a signature event or get into competition at a major, though, to prove he's truly arrived.

MATT EVERY SOT: Brooks Koepka back on the PGA tour. You heard about it. Brooks Koepka where you been living under a rock. Look, this guy came out, slow out of the gates. Bulky putter cost him a lot of shots on the West Coast. But three top 20 in his last three starts. And you know it's right around the corner, Augusta National.

MATT EVERY SOT: Scottie Scheffler. The slow start hasn't been the same. Last year he just finished outside of the top 23 times, right now in his last three events he's been outside of the top 20 in all three of them. Also, the iron play, nowhere near where it needs to be. This guy lived as number one in strokes gained: approach, right now, 78. That is gross for him.

EISENBAND SOT: Scottie Scheffler went from transcendent ball striker to average iron player. Forget the first rounds Matt I'm looking at the cumulative stats. Scottie has led the PGA TOUR in strokes gained approach each of the last three seasons. So you mentioned it. Why is he 78th than 2026? Last year Scottie gained 1.29 strokes approach in the field. This year, it's just a point one. Scottie, his iron play is his super power but it's been what's been holding him back so far this year.

MATT EVERY SOT: Jeff my biggest storyline of the year guys giving it the gas on Sunday. And we're talking about world class players. Hideki, Shane, Lowry, Berger, Ludwig, Sungjae all choking it away on Sundays. I know it's hard to win on the PGA TOUR. It's been a very good storyline to follow this year, adding a ton of drama to our Sunday viewership.

EISENBAND SOT: But OK, do you think that can change? Because that's something that is a tangible is it mental? What is it?

EVERY SOT: It's mental for those guys, especially some of them that haven't won in a while. I mean, closing the doors is not easy, and if you haven't done it in 2 or 3 years, sometimes maybe, maybe you forgot.

EISENBAND SOT: I have never been in that situation. You've been in that situation. I'm kind of glad that I've never had to go down the stretch on a Sunday like that.

#### **C4: Intro to Howell**

**LOOKING TO ADD HIS NAME TO THE LIST IS US AMATEUR CHAMPION MASON HOWELL ... SEE HOW THE 18 YEAR OLD IS TUNING UP AS HE PREPS FOR THE MASTERS AS HE EYES FOR LOW AMATEUR HONORS.**

#### **C5: Mason Howell Masters Prep**

HOWELL SOT: You know I've had some high school events, had prom last weekend. Doing a lot of school, and we started a high school golf season. But I feel like I've really just been grinding, preparing for what's coming up. Crazy to think about that knowing in two weeks, I'll be walking the fairways at Augusta while some of my classmates are still in school.

HOWELL SOT: But at the same time, I feel like it's going to be such a cool experience for me and my family. And I just need to go out there and have a smile on my face and soak it all in and, have fun. And I think the good golf will take care of itself. I mean, playing Amen Corner is unreal. Hole 18 is awesome. Walking up the hill. That tee shot is incredible. It's a pretty sick place. Yeah. I think it's going to be a lot of fun. I like a good challenge like that. And just to see all the history and putts that have been made on some of those greens, and knowing I'm going to have a chance to recreate some of those and, you know, putting on greens that, that fast and that undulated, I think it'll be a lot of fun. It will be a good challenge for me and my caddie, Jimmy, to read them, and yeah. So just really looking forward to that opportunity.

HOWELL SOT: I get out to the golf course around 1:00 every day, and, it gives me two hours to kind of practice with my coaches and by myself before my high school teammates get out there.

HOWELL SOT: Working on really dialing in my distance control with irons and wedges. There's a lot of tight shots and tight greens that you got to put it on small dinner plates at Augusta, so definitely been working on that and working on, you know, getting comfortable with a right to left ball off the tee. There's a couple of tee shots out there that call for that. So that's a something else I've been working on. But it's all about hitting as many greens as possible and then seeing how many putts I can roll in.

### **D1: Ford and Clanton Hit the Number**

CLANTON SOT: D Ford.

FORD SOT: Hey.

CLANTON SOT: Where are you?

FORD SOT: I'm at the end of the range. Oh, I see you on your phone at the other end of the range.

CLANTON SOT: Yeah, you get over here, bro. We've been waiting.

FORD SOT: I thought you were coming over here.

CLANTON SOT: No, we're on the right side of the range, not the left side. It's about time, man.

FORD SOT: Hey, I'm David Ford.

CLANTON SOT: Hey, I'm Luke Clanton.

FORD SOT: And this is the hit the number challenge. Kind of yipped.

CLANTON SOT: That was good.

FORD SOT: No, that was good, yeah. How about Jordan Spieth just ripping seven irons in the background of our video.

CLANTON SOT: I know, that's nuts. That's kind of cool.

FORD SOT: I like that. That was nice. That's good.

CLANTON SOT: That feels really good.

FORD SOT: That's solid.

CLANTON SOT: 122.1.

FORD SOT: That's not bad.

CLANTON SOT: It's flushed. Is that too far?

FORD SOT: Yeah. It's got a new spin. Yeah. Yeah, that was a good number at it. Let's get number

CLANTON SOT: 150. This is a perfect number as well.

FORD SOT: I'm sorry.

CLANTON SOT: That's just. So is this the David Ford stock challenge? What are we doing here?

FORD SOT: We practiced this number on the range. Is that good? Yeah. Come on.

FORD SOT: No it didn't work.

CLANTON SOT: 147 that's unfortunate.

FORD SOT: That's gotta sit. That's ball speed's high.

CLANTON SOT: That's money that. If that's not money...

FORD SOT: 152.

CLANTON SOT: That's perfect.

FORD SOT: Oh. 150.0. He's so surprised.

CLANTON SOT: 50 on the dot. I actually don't think I've ever done that.

FORD SOT: Oh, that was solid. That is my two iron ball speed, buddy. That's a five iron.

CLANTON SOT: No. Little short.

FORD SOT: That's a five iron. I got a strong 4.

CLANTON SOT: 217.

FORD SOT: Pretty good.

CLANTON SOT: I'm taking that every day of the week.

FORD SOT: That's pretty good.

CLANTON SOT: No, it's flushed.

FORD SOT: I toed it a little bit.

CLANTON SOT: That's good. It is. Come on.

FORD SOT: One yard. No way. 216. I toed it a little bit. This is, like 220.

CLANTON SOT: I might be cheating because I'm not using the 7 wood in the tournament.

FORD SOT: That's fine. Wow, that is so deep. If that's not long, 167 ball speed with a draw.

CLANTON SOT: Oh. 249.3.

FORD SOT: Okay. It's high. I have to hit it. 250 exactly. To tie. Or else I lose. Yeah. No pressure buddy. You've never been in competition in your life.

CLANTON SOT: One time.

FORD SOT: This thing has literally never known nerves before.

CLANTON SOT: Oh that's flushed. David.

FORD SOT: Go, go!

CLANTON SOT: That was flush. Go!

FORD SOT: Bam!

CLANTON SOT: Oh my god, he did it.

FORD SOT: 249.6, baby.

CLANTON SOT: There's no way.

FORD SOT: What did you ... you got?

CLANTON SOT: 249.3.

FORD SOT: Okay. Yeah. All right. Good. All right. We have to do a tie breaker or something. I'm down with the 200 yarder. Okay, let's do it.

CLANTON SOT: That looks so good. Sit. Two yards.

CLANTON SOT: 204.7. That's still.

FORD SOT: That thing went so long. What kind of club was that?

CLANTON SOT: That's really good.

CLANTON SOT: That's money.

FORD SOT: I like that, you know? I really do.

CLANTON SOT: Be good.

FORD SOT: I really like it.

CLANTON SOT: There's no way.

FORD SOT: Gosh. I hate that. His went 205.6. Point 9 further.

CLANTON SOT: I want a rematch.

FORD SOT: Good match.

CLANTON SOT: I want a rematch.

FORD SOT: We'll do it every week.

CLANTON SOT: Please. Yeah. Every week.

FORD SOT: Don't get that on camera.

CLANTON SOT: David Ford has won the guess the yardage challenge today, and it's pretty brutal. I'm gonna accept my loss, but, congratulations on the win, and I'll see you again in the future.

FORD SOT: Yeah, we'll do it again. Okay. Thank you.

## **D2: TV Times**

**SAN ANTONIO NATIVE JOHNNHY KEEFER WILL LOOK TO MAKE A SPLASH THIS WEEK AT THE VALERO TEXAS OPEN. AHEAD OF HIS FIRST PLAYERS APPEARANCE, HE**

## **RECEIVED A MOTIVATIONAL LETTER TO CARRY HIM THROUGH MANY MONUMENTAL FIRSTS OF HIS ROOKIE SEASON.**

### **D3: Johnny Keefer Letter**

KEEFER SOT: Johnny, we're very proud of you.

KEEFER SOT: It doesn't seem that long ago that we made our first trip to TPC Sawgrass for the junior players. We had watched that course so many times from our family room. And that week you were there, ready to test yourself. You had recently made the decision to focus on golf over lacrosse, and now we're watching you walk onto the range alongside the best young players in the country. You weren't intimidated. You were excited. And we could tell right away that you belonged.

KEEFER SOT: From your raw beginnings in Baltimore to discovering your love for the game and San Diego and taking it to another level in San Antonio. We've had a front row seat to your growth. At Baylor, you kept working. You didn't always have the spotlight, but you never stopped believing in where you were headed.

KEEFER SOT: And then you turned pro, it was off to the races. To win PGA Tour Americas in your first season as a professional showed everyone what you're capable of. To finish first on Korn Ferry Tour money list, earning both player of the year and rookie of the year was a reflection of your focus, your discipline, and your belief in yourself.

KEEFER SOT: But what makes us most proud isn't the trophies. It's the way you carry yourself.

KEEFER SOT: You compete fiercely. You want to win. You prepare with incredible determination and focus. But somehow you never lose your smile.

KEEFER SOT: The joy of chasing this dream is contagious.

KEEFER SOT: People are drawn to you because of the light you bring into every room and onto every fairway.

KEEFER SOT: Through it all, you've stayed the same humble, grounded person we've always known. As you've grown, we've watched you become not just an incredible athlete, but an even more incredible man. You earned your education at Baylor. Both lifelong friendships, surrounding yourself with people who believe in you. Your love for your family has always been in the center of who you are. And finding your life partner in Hitomi has only made the foundation stronger. Through every step of this journey, you've continued to show up, stay grounded and put in the work day after day to turn dreams into reality. Now here you are

stepping onto golf's biggest stage at the players once again ready to test yourself against the best players in the world.

KEEFER SOT: As you walk on onto that first tee, we hope to take a moment to smile the same smile you've always had.

KEEFER SOT: So much of this journey has been about hard work and sacrifice, but this moment is also about joy in your love for the game. Go out there and do what you do. Go be Johnny. Love, Mom and Dad.

KEEFER SOT: That's awesome.